

SENATE BILL 649

By Johnson

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 4;  
Title 5; Title 6; Title 7; Title 39; Title 47; Title 48;  
Title 55; Title 56; Title 62; Title 66 and Title 67,  
relative to parking.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 6-54-132, is amended by deleting the section.

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 47, Chapter 18, is amended by adding the following as a new part:

**47-18-3201.**

For purposes of this part:

- (1) "Person" means an individual, sole proprietor, independent contractor, partnership, corporation, or similar business entity;
- (2) "Political subdivision" means a municipality, public corporation, body politic, authority, district, metropolitan government, county, or an agency, department, or board of the aforementioned entities;
- (3) "Private property" means real property, and the improvements to the real property, that is not owned by the federal government, this state, or a political subdivision of this state; and
- (4) "Vehicle immobilization device" means a mechanical device that is designed or adapted to be attached to a wheel, tire, or other part of a parked motor vehicle to prohibit the motor vehicle's usual manner of movement or operation.

**47-18-3202.**

A person shall not knowingly install a vehicle immobilization device on a motor vehicle parked on private property in this state.

**47-18-3203.**

(a) If the attorney general and reporter finds that a person is engaged in, or about to engage in, an act or practice in violation of this part, then the attorney general and reporter may bring an action in the appropriate court of jurisdiction to enjoin the act or practice and to obtain other appropriate relief. The court may grant a temporary restraining order, a preliminary or permanent injunction, or other appropriate relief.

(b) In addition to the penalties provided in subsection (a) and § 47-18-3204, if a court determines that a violation of § 47-18-3202 has occurred, then the court may impose by order and collect a civil penalty of not more than one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per violation.

(c) The penalties collected pursuant to this part must be deposited in the general fund.

**47-18-3204.**

A violation of this part is a Class B misdemeanor.

SECTION 3. This act takes effect July 1, 2023, the public welfare requiring it, and applies to prohibited conduct occurring on or after that date.